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## Special Announcement

**LAST CALL. Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI).** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* announces that applications are available for the 2004-2005 SPI Class. SPI is a training opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive Directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has strong commitment to complete the 12 month program and adhere to attendance requirements. **The deadline for applications is this Friday, July 2, 2004, at 5:00pm.** Applications may be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South, Washington, DC 20001. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

## Federal Opportunities

**Bilingual/Bicultural Service Demonstration Program.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to improve and expand the capacity for linguistic and cultural competence of health care professionals and paraprofessionals working with limited English proficient (LEP) minority communities and improve the accessibility and utilization of health care services among LEP minority populations. Eligible applicants

include: private nonprofit, community-based, minority serving organizations; community coalitions; local government; community-based organizations; Historically Black Colleges or Universities and Hispanic Serving Institutions; and faith based organizations. The deadline for applications is August 5, 2004. Approximately \$2.5 million is available to fund 16-20 awards, ranging from \$75,000-\$150,000. For further information, contact Cynthia Amis at (301) 594-0769; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-13893.txt>.

**Community Programs to Improve Minority Health.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to improve the health status of racial and ethnic minority populations through health promotion and disease risk reduction intervention programs. Eligible applicants include: private nonprofit, community-based, minority serving organizations; community coalitions; local government; community-based organizations; Historically Black Colleges or Universities and Hispanic Serving Institutions; and faith based organizations. The deadline for applications is August 5, 2004. Approximately \$3.4 million is available to fund 17-30 awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$200,000. For further information, contact Cynthia Amis at (301) 594-0769; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-13893.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Demonstration Projects for Implementation of Rapid HIV Testing in Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Alternative Venues and Populations.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* announces funds to

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demonstrate new models for diagnosing HIV infection, a priority strategy in the context of the Advancing HIV Prevention Initiative (AHP). AHP is aimed at reducing the number of new infections caused by HIV each year in the U.S. by emphasizing greater access to HIV testing and provision of prevention and care services for persons infected with HIV. The purpose of the program is to: (Part 1) introduce rapid HIV testing programs to serve attendees of HBCUs and Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs); (Part 2) develop and evaluate new models for providing rapid and conventional HIV testing into clinical venues that have not offered routine HIV screening in the past in high risk communities; and (Part 3) introduce rapid HIV testing in clinical and non-clinical settings that serve three specific populations disproportionately affected by HIV: Native Americans, migrant worker populations, and pre-or post-operative transgendered persons. Eligible applicants include: (Part 1) HBCUs and community-based organizations collaborating with HBCUs; (Part 2) nonprofit organizations, including community-based organizations, primary care clinics, community health centers, and managed care organizations; and (Part 3) federally recognized Indian tribal governments, Indian tribes or tribal organizations, and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is July 23, 2004. Approximately \$2.5 million is available. For further information, contact Scott Kellerman, Extramural Project Officer, at (404) 639-4484 or [SKellerman@CDC.GOV](mailto:SKellerman@CDC.GOV); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-14174.txt>. This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**Early Screening and Diagnosis of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)* announces funds to develop, implement and evaluate creatine kinase-based screening programs for the early detection of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy during the newborn period and during infancy. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, universities, colleges, and state and local government agencies. The deadline for applications is August 9, 2004. Approximately \$250,000 is available for one award. For further information, contact Lisa Garbarino at (404) 498-3979 or [lgtl@cdc.gov](mailto:lgtl@cdc.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-14311.txt>.

**Folk and Traditional Arts Infrastructure Initiative.** *The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)* announces funds to preserve our nation's diverse cultural heritage by strengthening infrastructure of support for the folk and traditional arts. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, regional organizations, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is October 1, 2004. Awards will range from \$10,000-\$50,000. For further information, contact NEA at (202) 682-5678 or (202) 682-5726; or go to: <http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/FolkInfrastructure/index.html>.

**HIV/AIDS Health Promotion and Education Program.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to improve the health status, relative to HIV/AIDS, of targeted minority populations by engaging national minority-serving organizations in educational and outreach efforts. Eligible applicants include: private, nonprofit national minority-serving organizations; and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is August 5, 2004. Approximately \$3 million is available to fund 20-22 awards, ranging from \$100,000-\$150,000. For further information contact Cynthia Amis at (301) 594-0769; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgrtxt/04-13893.txt>.

**National Community Centers of Excellence in Women's Health (CCOE) Program.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds for community-based organizations to enhance their women's health program through the integration of the following six components: leadership development for women as health care consumers and providers; training for lay, allied health, and professional health care providers that includes a rural health focus; public education and outreach with special emphasis on outreach to Native American women and/or rural/frontier communities; comprehensive health service delivery that includes gender and age-appropriate preventive services and allied health professionals as members of the comprehensive care team; community-based research that uses the findings to improve the management and delivery of comprehensive, integrated care to all women; and replication of the model in another community to improve health outcomes for underserved women. The proposed CCOE program

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must address women's health from a gender-based, women-centered, women-friendly, women-relevant, holistic, multi-disciplinary, cultural and community-based perspective. Eligible applicants include nonprofit community-based hospitals, community health centers, and other community-based organizations serving underserved women. The deadline for applications is July 20, 2004, at 5:00pm. Approximately \$450,000 is available to make 2-4 awards. For further information, contact Karen Campbell, Director, OPHS Grants Management Office, at (301) 594-0758 or [kcampbell@osophs.dhhs.gov](mailto:kcampbell@osophs.dhhs.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-13894.txt>.

**National Trauma Information and Exchange Program.** *The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to foster the exchange and use of information to improve trauma care. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, universities, colleges, hospitals, community- and faith-based organizations, and state and local government entities. The deadline for applications is July 26, 2004. Approximately \$490,000 is available for one award. For further information, contact Phyllis C. McGuire at (770) 488-1275 or [pcml1@cdc.gov](mailto:pcml1@cdc.gov); or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-14469.txt>.

**Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities - Cultural Experiences for Deaf or Hard of Hearing Individuals.** *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to: improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology; support educational media activities for children with disabilities; provide support for some captioning and video description; and provide cultural experiences. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, state educational agencies, and local educational agencies. The deadline for applications is July 30, 2004. Approximately \$550,000 is available for 5 awards of up to \$110,000. For further information, contact Ernie Hairston at (202) 205-9172; or go to: <http://www.tgci.com/fedrgtxt/04-14503.txt>.

## District Opportunities

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC).** *The District of Columbia Public Schools*

*(DCPS)/Office of Federal Grants Programs (OFGP)* announces funds to establish 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC). The purpose of these centers is to increase the academic achievement of students in reading/language arts and mathematics. Additionally, the centers may offer youth development programs and activities that are designed to reinforce and complement the regular academic program of participating students. Programs must also offer families of students served opportunities for literacy and related educational development. Eligible applicants include any public school, community-based organization, public or private entity, or a consortium of two or more such entities. Applicants must include community partners in their programs. The deadline for application is July 30, 2004, at 5:00 pm. Approximately 10 grants are available. Applicants to the program are encouraged to attend the Pre-Application Conference on July 7, 2004, 10:00am – noon, 941 North Capitol Street, NE, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Training Room A. For further information, contact Deidre M. Hunt, CDH Management and Consulting, at (202) 641-5766; or go to: [www.k12.dc.us](http://www.k12.dc.us).

**Escheated Estates.** *The Office of the Secretary (OS)* announces financial support through the Escheated Estates Fund to local organizations that help the economically disadvantaged in DC. Escheated Estates funds are obtained from the sale of confiscated property of District residents who die without a will or any known relatives to receive their inheritance. Portions of the proceeds from these sales are offered as grants. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The remaining deadlines for 2004 are: September 24 and December 30. Grants of up to \$10,000 are available. Requests for application forms, applicable regulations, and instructions, as well as other relevant inquiries, should be directed, in writing, to: Escheated Estates Application Screening Committee, The John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 419, Washington, DC 20004. For more information, see: <http://os.dc.gov/os/site/default.asp>.

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at:

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[http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,\[33041\].asp](http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,586841,opgdNav,[33041].asp).

*The Department of Human Services (DHS), Homemaker Services*, July 2, 2004, at 4:45pm.

*The DC Energy Office (DCEO), Residential Conservation Assistance Program (RCAP)*, July 7, 2004, at 4:45pm.

*The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)/Residential and Community Services Division (RSC), Home Purchase Assistance Program*, July 9, 2004, at 4:00pm.

*The Department of Mental Health (DMH), Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS)*, July 9, 2004, at 4:30pm.

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Folk and Traditional Arts Mini Grants*, September 2, 2004, at 6:00pm.

*The Office of the Secretary (OS), Escheated Estates*, September 24 and December 30, 2004.

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Arts Learning and Outreach: Teacher Mini-Grant Program*, September 30, 2004, at 6:00pm.

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Young Artists*, October 25, 2004.

*The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Small Projects Program (SPP)*, December 2, 2004, March 3, 2005, and June 2, 2005.

*The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP)*, applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

*The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial Property Acquisition and Development Program (CP-A&D)*, applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

## Foundation Opportunities

**Girls and Sports.** *The Women's Sports Foundation's GoGirlGo!® Grant and Educational Program* provides financial assistance to sports and physical activity programs seeking to add new or expanded

program participation opportunities for an underserved population of girls, particularly economically disadvantaged girls, and/or girls from populations with high incidences of health-risk behaviors. The program's goal is to maximize the use of sport/physical activity as an educational intervention and social asset in order to enhance the wellness of girls as they navigate between childhood and early womanhood. Eligible applicants include nonprofits with the demonstrated ability to deliver girls' sport/physical activity programming to girls in grades 3-8. The deadline for applications is November 30, 2004. Approximately \$200,000 is available. For further information, go to:

<http://www.womenssportsfoundation.org/cgi-bin/iowa/funding/results.html>.

**Hunger and the Elderly.** *The Altria Group, Inc.* supports anti-hunger programs. Through its Senior Helpings initiative, it supports the provision of meals to the homebound elderly. Eligible applicants include nonprofit meals-on-wheels service providers. The deadline for applications is July 23, 2004. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available. For further information or to apply online, go to: [http://www.altria.com/responsibility/04\\_05\\_contributions.asp](http://www.altria.com/responsibility/04_05_contributions.asp).

**Reducing Poverty and Empowering Low-income Families.** *The Moriah Fund* supports comprehensive community-based programs that address the social and economic obstacles faced by low-income families, particularly those headed by single women. The Fund's D.C. grantmaking focuses on programs that assist parents to increase their income and provide healthy environments for children and youth. New applicants may submit Letters of Inquiry at any time. For further information, go to: <http://www.moriahfund.org/index.htm>.

**Social Justice.** *The Jewish Fund for Justice (JFJ)* supports organizations working to alleviate the root causes of poverty and the disenfranchisement of low-income people in the U.S. JFJ supports community-based organizing and advocacy that promote leadership development and build community self-sufficiency to strengthen the impact of low-income people on the public debates over issues affecting their lives. The Fund's grantmaking issue areas include: Economic Justice; Women in Poverty; Investing in Youth; Building Community; Assisting



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New Americans; and Engaging Jews in Social Justice. Eligible applicants include organizations that: engage in community organizing and/or grassroots advocacy; are led by and benefit low-income people; address the systems, societal values, institutions, laws, or policies that perpetuate poverty; operate at the community level or have strong community roots; and have an annual budget under \$1 million. Letters of Inquiry are accepted at any time. Grants range from \$7,500-\$20,000. For further information, contact JFJ at [jfjustice@jfjustice.org](mailto:jfjustice@jfjustice.org); or go to: <http://www.jfjustice.org/index.html>.

**Teen and College Student Programs.** *The American Eagle Outfitters Foundation* supports organizations that strive to improve the quality of life where company associates and customers live, work, and play. The Foundation funds teen and college student programs that contain one or more of the following values: foster civic engagement; render safe and nourishing places for teens; embrace diversity; and encourage youth and teen development. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations located in a community where the company operates. Applicants must creatively involve either business units or employees, or both, in the projects. Applications are accepted at any time. Grant requests should fall within a \$1,000-\$25,000 range. For further information, go to: <http://www.ae.com/corp/foundation2.htm>.

## Resources & Announcements

**AOL Tech Corps.** *NPower and DC Cares* will run the AOL Tech Corps program, a service that matches skilled AOL employee volunteers with nonprofit organizations lacking technical support and funding. The program is an opportunity for nonprofits to evaluate what their most important technology needs are and learn how to integrate technology into delivering on their missions. Last year's programs included Virus Vaccination and Tech Fitness Days. Participants are needed for a pilot project that will begin the end of June and run through the summer. AOL volunteers will conduct technology audits for area nonprofits and identify those that qualify for future projects. Eligible applicants include nonprofits with annual budgets under \$750,000. For further information, contact [megan@npowergdc.org](mailto:megan@npowergdc.org); or go to: <http://www.npowergdc.org/dcaoltechcorps.htm>.

**Grants Database Training.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* will host an information session on how to use GrantsDirect.com, a resource available in OPGD's Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). GrantsDirect.com is an on-line, subscriber-based service profiling more than 5,100 foundation donors nationwide, including 1,600 headquartered in Maryland, DC, and Northern Virginia. Learn the fundamentals of researching foundations, how to identify organizations with similar missions that are receiving foundation support, and what the trends are in foundation giving in our region. The session will be held on July 8, 2004, 9:30am, at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Citywide Conference Center, Room 1107. The first in a series of research trainings, this session is free, but registration is required. For further information or to register, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

**Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

**Nonprofit Innovation.** *The Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management* is accepting nominations for The Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit Innovation. The Award is given each November to three nonprofit organizations in recognition of an innovative, existing program that has made a difference in the lives of the people it serves. Peter Drucker's definition of innovation – change that creates a new dimension of performance – is key to consideration for the Award. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations that were launched no earlier than January 1, 2000. The deadline for applications is August 3, 2004. For

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further information or to apply online, go to:  
<http://www.drucker.cgu.edu/innovationaward/>.

**Proposal Writing.** *The Foundation Center* provides proposal writing guidance in two of its library resources. *The Foundation Center's Guide to Proposal Writing* teaches both the basics and the finer points of this crucial skill. With advice from 40 grantmakers, this book provides a step-by-step approach to the entire proposal development process, including: identifying and contacting potential funders; pre-proposal planning; writing the proposal; and essential follow-up strategies. *The Foundation Center's Guide to Winning Proposals* features 20 real-life grant proposals that were funded by some of today's most influential grantmakers. Each proposal is reprinted in its entirety and is accompanied by commentary from a funding decision-maker, pointing to both strengths and weaknesses. Letters of inquiry, budgets, cover letters, and supplementary documents are all included. To access these resources, go to the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Washington, DC 20006, or call (202) 331-1400.

**Underserved Communities.** *Contentbank.org*, a project of *The Children's Partnership*, has launched the Newsblast, a free weekly e-mail news service focused on Web content of interest to those working with underserved communities. The Newsblast covers stories about new multilingual or culturally specific content, and Web information created for users with limited-literacy skills. The Newsblast also tracks emerging trends like developments in local search engines, automated language translations, tools for easy content creation, and more. For further information on Contentbank.org, go to: <http://www.contentbank.org>. To subscribe to Newsblast, go to: <http://www.graphicmail.com/rwcode/subscribe.asp?SiteID=1885&Mode=subscribe>.

**Washington Grantmakers Common Grant Application.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* and *Washington Grantmakers* will host an information session on the newly revised Washington Grantmakers Common Grant Application. The goal of the Common Grant Application is to serve the regions' grantmaking and grantseeking communities by streamlining the grant application process. The format makes grantseeking easier as you can create one standard proposal that

can be customized for multiple funders. The session will take place on July 22, 2004, 9:30am-noon, One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Room 1104 (Red Line Metro Stop). This session is free, but registration is required. For further information or to register, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900 by July 16.

**Youth Leadership.** *The DC Youth Advisory Council (DCYAC)* is currently accepting membership applications. DCYAC, comprised of 32 District youth from diverse backgrounds, was created by youth and District officials in order for young people throughout DC to have an ongoing voice in the policies, programs and actions within the city. Membership activities include influencing the District's youth-related policies and programs; creating legislation that aids youth; serving as a representative for District youth; interacting regularly with District officials and other local leaders; and developing leadership skills. Eligible applicants must be between 13-22 years old and residents of DC for at least one year. The deadline for applications is July 2, 2004. For further information and to access the application, contact DCYAC at [dcyac@dc.gov](mailto:dcyac@dc.gov) or (202) 727-7976; or go to: <http://serve.dc.gov> and select the Youth Advisory Council link.

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